

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SA, UR

SUBJECT: DAILY TELEGRAPH STORY ABOUT SOVIET MISSILE BOATS FOR  
SAUDIS

1. BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE HAS BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION  
AN ARTICLE IN THE AUGUST 16 EDITION OF "THE DAILY TELEGRAPH"  
OF UK ALLEGING THAT SAUDI ARABIA MAY HAVE ACQUIRED THREE  
RUSSIAN-BUILT NAVAL VESSELS CARRYING STYX MISSILES. HE  
WAS CURIOUS ABOUT THIS REPORT AND WONDERED IF WE HAD ANY  
CONFIRMATION. WE REPLIED IN NEGATIVE AND ADDED WE  
THOUGHT THE STORY IMPROBABLE. HOWEVER, WE PROMISED SEEK  
ANY INFO THAT WASHINGTON MAY HAVE.

2. WHAT CAN ADDRESSEES ADVISE US ON THIS SUBJECT FOR  
TRANSMITTAL TO BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE?

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